



# NEWS RELEASE

**Date:** Monday, January 5, 2009  
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## MEDIA ADVISORY

### “State Route 710 Tunnel Technical Study Geotechnical Exploration Program”

**WHO:** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

**WHAT:** Douglas Failing, District 7 Director, Caltrans, will be available for interviews and to answers questions regarding the Study and geotechnical exploratory activities (boring and seismic reflection) as part of the State Route 710 Tunnel Technical Study Geotechnical Exploration Program.

**WHERE:** Caltrans Right of Way  
3220 Front Street, Alhambra, CA 91801  
(north of Valley Boulevard, at the intersection of Front Street and Westmont Avenue)

**WHEN:** Tuesday, January 6, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

**PHOTO OPPORTUNITY:** On-site geotechnical drilling

#### BACKGROUND:

This phase of the Exploration Program, which is part of a two-year SR-710 Tunnel Technical Study, will involve research, exploration and technical analysis of the soil and sub-surface conditions found while tunneling at depths of more than 250 feet. The Exploration Program is comprised of two integrated activities:

**Boring:** Information about various soil types, such as rock or sand, will be gathered by drilling (boring) deep into the ground and producing soil samples to be analyzed. Boring will take place at approximately 33 locations throughout the study area.

**Seismic Reflection:** This activity will provide an electronic image of soil conditions along a specific area. Information on rock layers and layering, near-surface faulting, sub-surface voids, and bedrock elevations or depths will be provided.

